

Regional Workshops May 2008

8:30 a.m. **Registration and Light Breakfast**

Welcome: Andrea Cooper, Office of Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Shoreline and Floodplain Management Coordinator

9:00 a.m. *Here Comes the Storm* – Wes Shaw, CZM

StormSmart Coasts Project Manager

The StormSmart Coasts Program: Helping MA local officials manage their community coastal floodplains

- Technical assistance and legal guidance
- Regulatory tools and proactive planning strategies
- Case studies and website created to ???

10:00 a.m. Legal Challenges Can Be Challenging – Edward Thomas, Esq.

Michael Baker Corp.

How communities can effectively develop plans and/or regulate while minimizing the chances of legal challenges

- Property rights and community liability
- No Adverse Impact (NAI) and the courts

11:00 a.m. Now What Do We Do? Open Discussion

- Putting the tools to work for real world change
- Overcoming obstacles to proactive planning
- Building partnerships

11:45 a.m. *The Future is Now* – Wes Shaw

StormSmart Coasts Phase 2 – Local Implementation

12:00 p.m. **Adjourn**